

Alternative Fuel and Advanced Vehicle Incentives



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- Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC) Laws & Incentives Database
- Federal Incentives
- State Incentive Trends and Examples
- Questions

<http://www.afdc.energy.gov/laws/>

- Searchable, online database of state and federal laws, incentives, and regulations
 - Utility and private incentives included at the state level
- Topics covered: alternative fuels, advanced vehicles, air quality, vehicle efficiency, idle reduction
- Additional features:
 - Summaries of key federal legislation (e.g., Energy Policy Acts)
 - Tables of laws and incentives sorted by technology or fuel, incentive or regulation, and user type
 - Examples of notable or common local laws and incentives

- Maintained by NREL and ICF International
- State information
 - Updated annually after each state's legislative session ends and on an *ad hoc* basis
 - Sources:
 - State legislative and executive office website searches
 - Points of contact, including Clean Cities, state energy office, industry association, industry, and utility staff
 - Industry newsletters and other publications
- Federal information
 - Updated on an *ad hoc* basis when legislation is signed into law or when agency rules are issued, and on an annual basis
 - Quarterly legislative searches

Search Options



Technology and Fuel Types	Incentive Types	Law and Regulation Types	User Types
Biodiesel	Grants	Acquisition or fuel use	Vehicle owner or driver
Ethanol (E85, E10) or flexible fuel vehicles	Tax incentives (credits, deductions)	Driving or idling	Fleet purchaser or manager
Natural gas (CNG, LNG)	Loans or leases	Registration or licensing	Fueling or TSE infrastructure owner
Propane (LPG)	Rebates	Fuel taxes	Alternative fuel producer
Hydrogen or fuel cell vehicles	Exemptions	Fuel production or quality	Alternative fuel dealer
Electricity, PEVs, HEVs, or NEVs	Other (e.g., technical assistance)	Renewable fuel standard or mandate	Alternative fuel purchaser
Aftermarket conversions		Air quality or emissions	AFV manufacturer or retrofitter
Fuel economy or efficiency		Climate change or energy initiatives	
Idle reduction		Other (e.g., definitions)	

AFDC Laws & Incentives Database



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Search Feature

Tables by Category

Key Federal Legislation

Local Examples

Federal and State Laws and Incentives

Find federal and state laws and incentives for alternative fuels and vehicles, air quality, fuel efficiency, and other transportation-related topics.

Federal Incentives and Laws

State Incentives and Laws

Search All Laws and Incentives ▸
Use an advanced search to find a specific federal or state law or incentive.

View Tables of Laws and Incentives ▸
View laws and incentives sorted by [technology/fuel](#), [incentive](#), [regulation](#), or [user](#).

Read Key Legislation ▸
Read selected legislation summaries about alternative transportation technologies.

Find Local Laws and Incentives ▸
Find examples of laws and incentives from local governments.

For questions or to submit an incentive, email the [Technical Response Service](#). For additional incentives, search the [Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency](#).

This information provides an overview of laws and incentives and should not be your only source of information for making decisions about vehicle purchases, taxes, or other binding agreements. Please refer to the federal and state contacts included to verify these laws and incentives are still applicable, and consult your tax advisor.

ABOUT THE DATA

Maps & Data

Incentive and Law Additions by Fuel/Technology Type

[More Laws & Incentives Data](#) | [All Maps & Data](#)

- + Case Studies
- + Publications
- + Tools

Example Description



Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV) High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane Exemption

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) allows HEVs to travel in HOV and high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes. Qualifying vehicles must obtain a permit and display an HOV exemption decal. As of April 2012, CDOT reached its quota of 2000 permits and will place new applicants on a waiting list. (Reference [Colorado Revised Statutes 42-4-1012](#))

References

Website for
More Info

Point of Contact

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Contact

Coming Soon



- Fact sheets outlining trends and updates
- Case studies on specific incentives and programs
- Additional content?

- H.R. 8, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012
- Retroactively extended several fuel and infrastructure tax credits
- Expanded the definition of second generation biofuel and extended two incentives related to these fuels
- Introduced a credit for eligible two- and three-wheeled plug-in electric drive vehicles
- Extended discretionary funding for U.S. Department of Agriculture programs

Federal Tax Credits – Fuel



Tax Credit	Amount	Fuel Types Included	IRS Publications/Forms	Expires
Alternative Fuel and Mixture Excise	\$0.50/gallon	CNG, LNG, propane (including fuel used in mixtures)	Publication 510; Forms 637, 720, 4136, and 8849	December 31, 2013
Biodiesel Income	\$1.00/gallon	B100 (biodiesel, agri-biodiesel, renewable diesel)	Publication 510; Forms 637 and 8864	December 31, 2013
Biodiesel Mixture Excise	\$1.00/gallon	Biodiesel, agri-biodiesel, and renewable diesel used in mixtures	Publication 510; Forms 637, 720, 4136, 8849, and 8864	December 31, 2013

Federal Tax Credits – Fuel



Tax Credit	Amount	Fuel Types Included	IRS Publications/Forms	Expires
Hydrogen Fuel Excise	\$0.50/gallon	Liquefied hydrogen (including fuel used in mixtures)	Publication 510; Forms 637, 720, 4136, and 8849	September 30, 2014
Second Generation Biofuel Producer	\$1.01/gallon	Liquid fuel produced from any lignocellulosic or hemicellulosic matter that is available on a renewable basis or any cultivated algae, cyanobacteria, or lemna	Publication 510; Forms 637 and 6478	December 31, 2013

Federal Tax Credit – Infrastructure



Tax Credit	Amount	Fuel Types Included	IRS Publications/Forms	Expires
Alternative Fuel Infrastructure	30% of the cost, not to exceed \$30,000 Residential: Up to \$1,000	CNG, LNG, propane, electricity (EVSE), E85, B20+	Form 8911	December 31, 2013

Federal Tax Credits – Vehicles



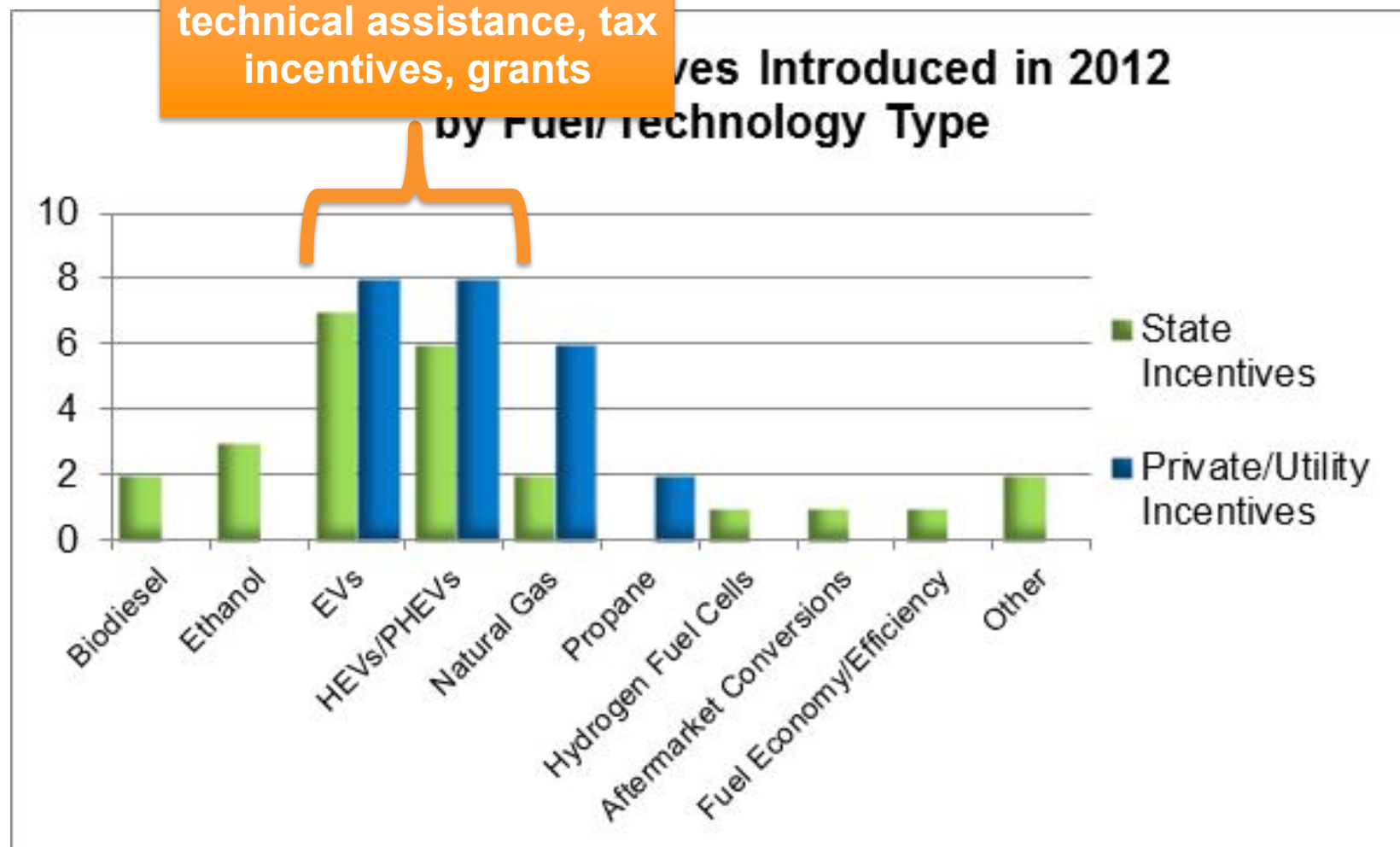
Tax Credit	Amount	Fuel Types/ Vehicles Included	IRS Publications/ Forms	Expires
Plug-In Electric Drive	\$2,500 - \$7,500, based on battery capacity and GVWR	Up to 14,000 lbs GVWR (Light-duty and medium- duty) PEVs	Form 8936	Phased out when manufacturer sells 200,000 PEVs
Two- and Three- Wheeled Plug-In Electric Drive	10% of the cost, up to \$2,500	Up to 14,000 lbs GVWR (Light-duty and medium- duty) PEVs	Form 8936	December 31, 2013
Fuel Cell	Up to \$4,000	Light-duty, medium-duty, and heavy- duty FCVs	Notice 2008-33; Form 8910	December 31, 2014

- U.S. Department of Transportation
 - Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement
 - Airport programs
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
 - Advanced biofuel production
 - Education; research & development programs
 - Ethanol infrastructure program in rural areas
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
 - National Clean Diesel Campaign
- U.S. Department of Energy
 - Clean Cities

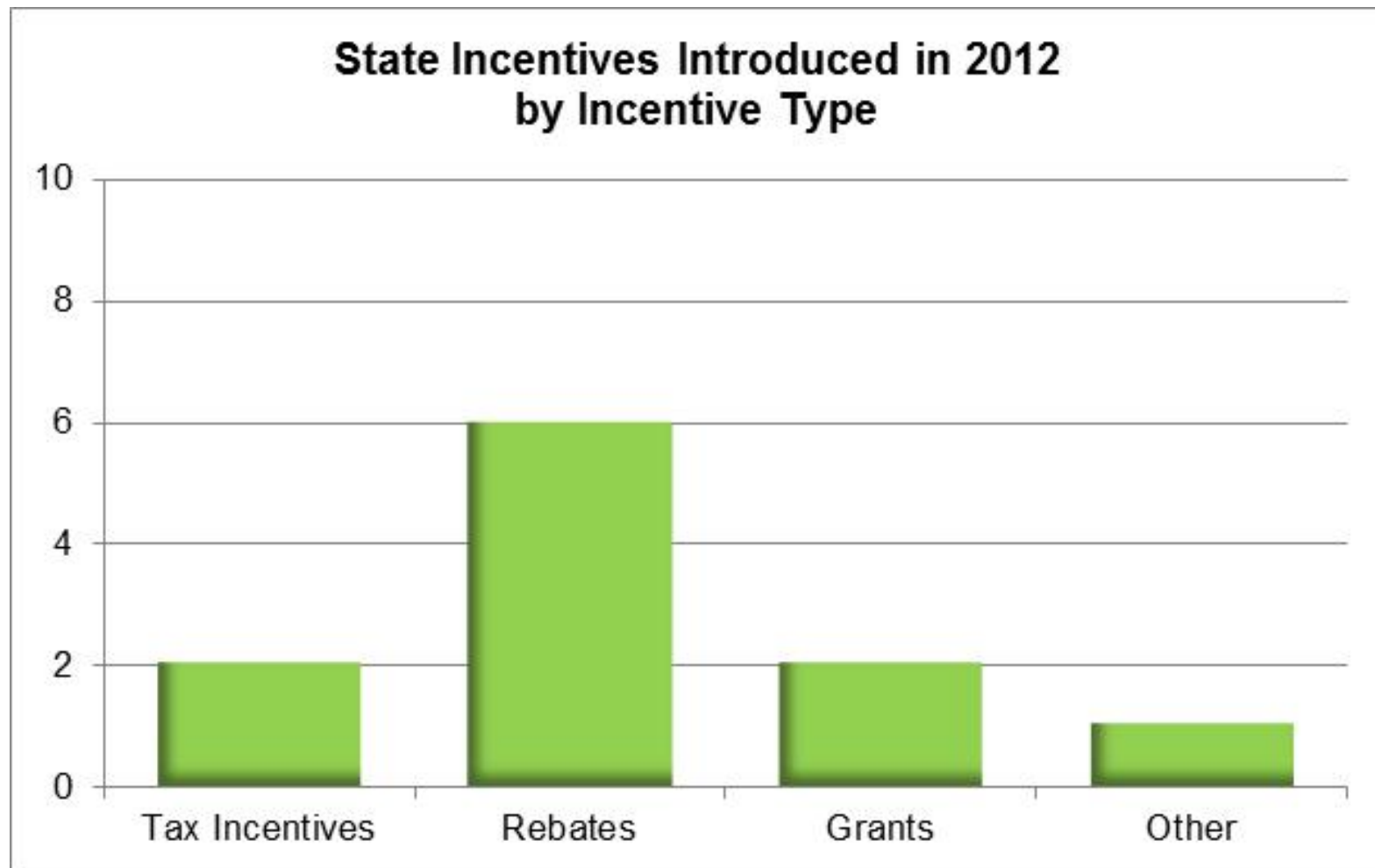
2012 State-Level Trends



PEV/EVSE rebates,
utility rate reduction,
technical assistance, tax
incentives, grants



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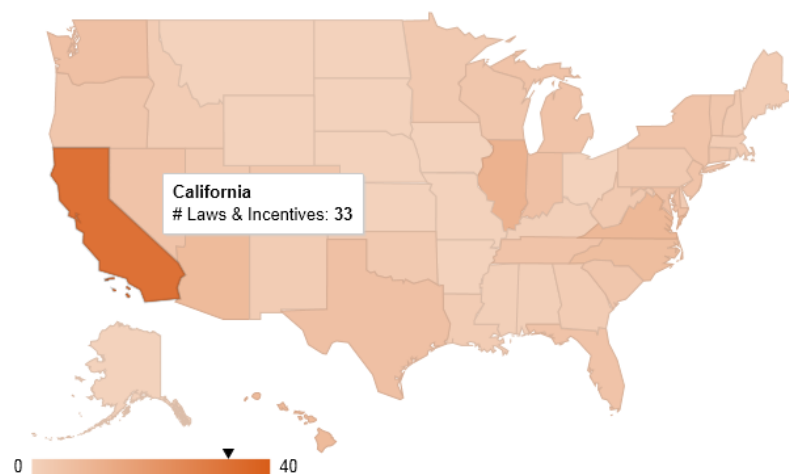


State-Level Maps and Graphs

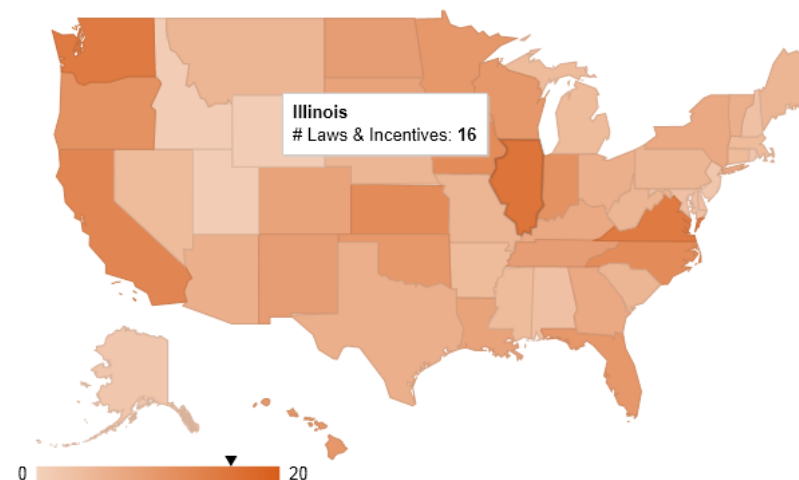


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PEV Incentives & Laws by State



Ethanol Incentives & Laws by State



- **Vehicle/infrastructure tax Incentives**
 - **Credits** (NY – \$0.15/gallon biofuel production credit)
 - **Exemptions** (NJ – ZEV sales and use tax exemption)
 - **Refunds** (NE – natural gas/propane tax refund for buses)
 - **Deductions** (IA - \$2,000 fuel cell vehicle deduction)
- **Exemptions**
 - **Idle reduction equipment weight** (AL – up to 400 lbs)
 - **Parking** (AZ – AFVs may park in carpool areas)
 - **HOV lane** (CA – AFVs may drive in HOV/HOT lanes)
 - **Registration fee** (DC – reduced fee for fuel-efficient vehicles)
 - **Emissions testing requirements** (MI – AFVs exempt)

- **Grants**

- **Vehicle Purchases** (CO – 80% of the cost of PEVs for agencies/non-profits)
- **Vehicle Research and Development** (IN – AFV and fuel-efficient vehicle production projects)
- **Infrastructure** (IL – up to \$30,000 per facility for E85 fueling)
- **Education** (KY – up to \$2,000 for biodiesel education programs at schools)
- **Production** (MN – up to \$500,000 for research, technical assistance, or equipment at a cellulosic ethanol production facility)

- **Rebates**

- **Vehicle** (CA – up to \$2,500 for light-duty ZEV or PEV)
- **Infrastructure** (IL – up to \$7,500 for Level 2 EVSE)

- **Loans & Leases**

- **Idle Reduction** (AR – up to \$45,000 at 80% of prime for large businesses)
- **Vehicle/Infrastructure** (OK – 0% interest loans for government fleets)
- **Production** (IA – forgivable and low-interest loans for businesses)

- **Other**

- **Utility Rate Incentives** (VA – Virginia Dominion PEV rate pricing plans)
- **Technical Assistance** (NY – vehicle and infrastructure assistance for fleets)
- **Training** (TX – propane safety and maintenance training)

Questions?



Questions, updates, or suggestions for the database?

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